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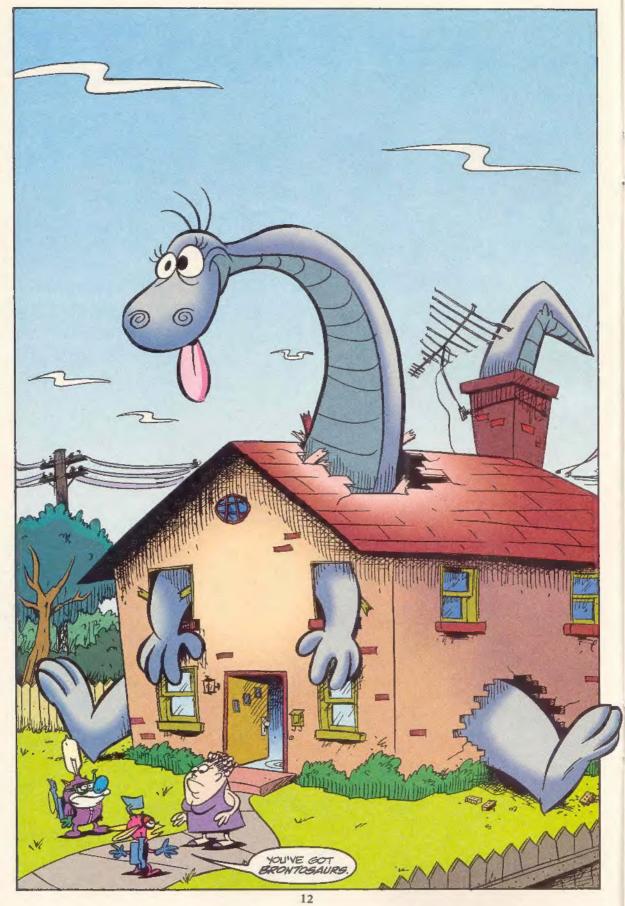




















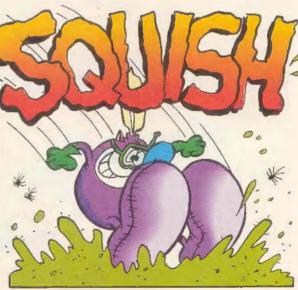


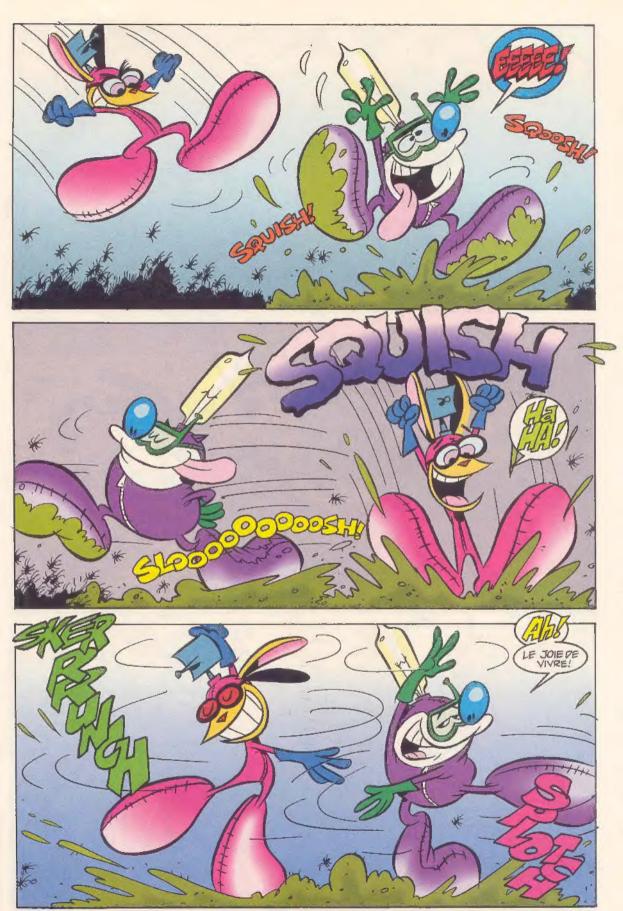




















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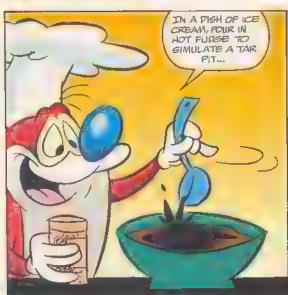
























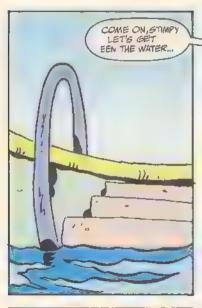






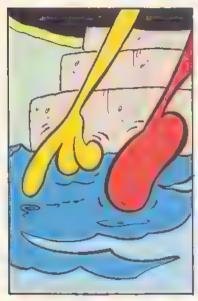


















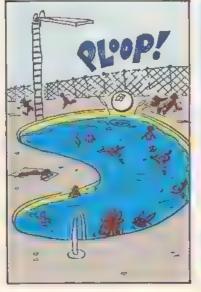
























## STAN'S SOAPBOX

Ht. Heroes!

Okay! Okay! You can stop with the letters and phone calls now! Lhaven't been fired - and least not yet! There's a simple reason why you've seen other columns in place of the ch Spapbox in our mags three out of four weeks a month. It's because we're now publishinc about a hundred titles each month. and it seemed like a good idea to have different Bulloen Bulletins Pages every single week, allowing various editors to wax eloquent in this space, so that those of you who buy a whole kaboodle of Marvels each month won't have to read the same yakking on every B.B. page! So, think of the jun you'll have never knowing whose column you'l find whenever you buy a mighty Marver mag! Of course, you can't win 'em all - sometimes you' end up with mine.

By the way, here's a hot tip for you There's a new/paperback series pubfished by Roc Science Fiction (a division of Penguin Publishing Co.) entitled Stan Lee's Riftworld on which I collaborated with the well known best selling science-fiction author Bill McKay. The first title, Crossover, should be going on sale about now. It stars the staff of a comicbook company (sound familiar?) which gets involved in an allen invasion from outside the rift between dimensional It's wild, scan, and funty — and it must be a grabben because we vis already had inclumes regarding the TV and motion picture rights! And, naturally, it's aimost certain to lead to a special Marvel comicbook series in the near future!

So, if you wanna get in at the staft of something new and exciting, latch onto a copy of Aliftworld — Crossover It it's not at your bookstore yet, pitch a tent in the doorway and wait for it! And, while you're waiting, remember - since mighty Marvel goes to the trouble of publishing over a hundred titles a month. the least you can do is buy as many as possible, I mean, hey, you don't want us

to think you're ungratefull Excersion!

ere at Mighty/Marvel, we like to celebrate Independence Day the oldfashioned way: with sparklers, fire-crackers, and those little pellets that you put a match to and they turn into ashy snakes! Of course, our characters are independent enough to celebrate the fantastic fourth of July in their own style. Here's what our X-Patriots had to say.

John Romita Jr., of X MEN fame, supgests that Marvelous everywhere spend the holiday weekend "buying extra copies of X-MEN, instead of buying dangerous explosives!

Explosives were also on the minds of

House. That's pretty patriotic." Dorlon, the trainer of FIGHT-MAN, said his pugilistic creation "would spend the day

From throwing punches we move to drinking punch, as several of our heroes have partying on their minds. FANTASTIC FOUR penciler Paul Ryan said the FF would have an open-air barbeque on the roof of their building. The top was blown of during the Infinity War, and that's why it's an open-air barbecue!"

CAGE penciler Scott Benefiel said that "Gage would invite all his friends to a 4th of July party; somebody would choke on a

hot dog and die, and, just like every other murder, he'd get blamed for it, and spend the rest of the time trying to clear his name!"

FEUD creator Mike Baron said that the characters from that series would have a special kind of party. "The Skids would celebrate independence Day by having a barbecus where they make buffalo wings out of the Kites!

DEATHLOK scripter Greg Wright said his non-mutant cyborg "would want to have a big pichic with his family, where they would eat hot dogs and com on the cob, that's what he would want to do, but he can't, because he can't eat food -he has to drink baby formula!"

Tom Raney, artist on the u tra-hot/ hew WARLOCK CHRONICL'ES limited series, said Warlock would most likely sit this holiday out. ("Judging by what he usually does," Tom said, "he

would probably be sleeping!"
Finally we have AVENGERS WEST COAST penciler Dave Ross, who chose to assert his own independence. As Gave put it, "Hey, I'm Canadian! We celebrate Victoria Day on the first (of July)!" When asked why his countrymen have a day honoring Queen Victoria, Dave noted, "It's mostly just an excuse to set off fireworks!"

Sounds good to us - through we never need an excuse to set off an explosion of excitement every month in all your favorite Marvel magsi



several of our other artists. CABLE penciler Art Thibert suggested that "Cable would probably go ballistic and start a few fireworks of his own!" PUNISHER penciler Hugh Haynes said that "the Punisher would probably be watching the rockets" red glare ... from his Stinger shoulder har-

Even funny characters will have a blast on the fourth. Mark Evanier noted that Grop would "probably shoot his foot off," while REN AND STIMPY penciler Mike Kazaleh şaid America's ugliest cat eam "would set fire to the White

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  Close the door! You'll let all the air
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- Hangman heads the right turbel Legioni GABLE #5: Prof X wents Cable to
- oe X-pelledi CAGE #18: Cage confronts his dark
- CAPTAIN AMERICA #419: The Viper plans murder by television! CHILDREN OF THE VOYAGER #1
- OF 4: Explore the first title in our DAREDEVIL #320: Sever Stable
- battles Daredevill
  DARKHAWK #31: INFINITY CRUSADE crossover with the

- DARKMAN #6 OF #: It's lights out for Darkman!
- DEATH'S HEAD 2 & KILLPOWER: BATTLETIDE # 2 OF 4: The Hulk:
- DOCTOR WHO 1993 SUMMER SPECIAL: The history of the Daleics revealed! Once, they were ordinary
- salt & pepper shakers

  EXCALIBUTE ANNUAL #1. Introducing Khapel GROOTHE WANDERER #104:
- Groo-helps a lazy dog find a homel

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- KILLPOWER: THE EARLY YEARS 42 OF 42" "And bege's a picture of his first kill? Awwww...
- MARVEL COMICS #136: Adamentium action with Welverine

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- NIGHTSTALKERS #11: How the ghtstalkers came to be! NOMAD #17: Bucky's morn wants

her baby back

- PUNISHER ARMORY #7: Eliot-R.
- ORIGINAL CHOST RIDER #15: GR and Stuntmaster battle Zod BAZORLINE, THE FIRST OUT: A
- sneak peak at Clive Barker's new superhero universe!

  REN & STMPY #10; The boys are
- SHADOW RIDERS #4 OF 4: Cable
- IInks up for adventure

  SHE-HULK 165: Wyart Wingfoot is Kidnapped □ SPIDER-MAN 2099 411: YOR Spidely save his beas from

- SPIDER-MAN CLASSICS (6) Spidey's first clash with Dr. Doom!

  THOR CORPS #1 OF 4: #'s Thor
- THUNDERSTRIKE #4: Spides Juest-stars, and Pandora debuts.

  UNCANNY X-MEN #304: 30th
- ANNIVERSARY! MAGNETO! HOLOGRAMI BUYTT
- WARLOCK CHRONICLES #3: NEINTY CRUSADES crossover WEB OF SPIDER-MAN #104:
- Whose side is Spidey on in THE INFINITY CRUSADE? X-FACTOR #92: Second printing of
- this 30th anniversary extraveganzal X-MEN ANNIVERSARY MAGAZINE, 30th anniversion memories with Stan Lee, Chris

Cleremont, and more!





















